

Climate Crisis: Solutions and Possibilities

Berkeley Society of Friends Social and Environmental Action Committee

Handout—Possible Individual Actions

Support for Quaker Organizations Working on Climate Change Issues

- Support Quaker Earthcare Witness (QEW) (<https://quakerearthcare.org/>)
- Support Friends Committee on Legislation-California (<https://www.fclca.org/>) and its Action Center
- Support Friends Committee on National Legislation (FCNL) (<https://www.fcnl.org/>) and its Action Center (<https://fcnl.quorum.us/>)

Federal Actions

- Federal: After its passage in the Senate, support action on the HR 3684 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, as it goes back to the US House; it is due to be voted on in the US House by September 27. This bill contains climate-related policy initiatives, fund water and soil pollution clean-ups, and the largest federal investment in public transit in US history. You can email or call your Representatives:
 - Rep. Mark DeSaulnier, CA-11 <https://desaulnier.house.gov/contact/email> (510) 620-1000
 - Rep. Barbara Lee, CA-13 <https://lee.house.gov/contact/email-me/> 510-763-0370
- Federal: By clicking on Friends Committee on National Legislation's (FCNL's) Action Center link <https://fcnl.quorum.us/campaign/34603/>, you can support including climate policies in the Budget Reconciliation and Recovery Legislation. This includes the Clean Electricity Payments Program (CEPP) to get us to 80% clean electricity by 2030 and expands clean energy tax incentives. The House is expected to vote on this bill also by September 27th.
- Read Friends Committee on National Legislation's (FCNL's) *Inside the Greenhouse* monthly and act on their Action Alerts. <https://www.fcnl.org/updates/2021-09/september-2021-inside-greenhouse>
- Federal: Support carbon pricing legislation at the federal level. <https://www.fcnl.org/resources/support-carbon-pricing-legislation>

California Actions

- California: Keep watch for AB 1395: The Climate Crisis Act, which failed to pass the Senate in the legislative term that just ended. But it could be taken up again next year. This bill would codify the goal of achieving net-zero greenhouse gas emissions as soon as possible, but no later than 2045.

Personal behavior

- Urge organizations of which you are a member to divest their investments from any fossil fuel industry companies
- Change your diet to eat less meat
- Use public transit, cut down on driving, buy more efficient car, or go car- Personal behavior: free
- Try to avoid flying
- Purchase renewable energy
- Recycle, reuse
- Eat local